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1. The timely submissions under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on 3/16/2007 and 6/8/2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because the case law cited by applicants in their response is no longer an appropriate response. In view of the Supreme Court ruling in KSR International Co. versus Teleflex Inc., applicants need to fully respond to the 35 USC 103 combination of art. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

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